



Standards & Assessment

CAHSEE Notes

California Department of Education

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First 2009-10 Test Administration

The July administration of the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) is the first administration for the 2009-10 school year. Only grade twelve and adult students are eligible to take the examination in July. Important deadline dates for this administration are shown below. Further information about material ordering, Pre-ID, and supplemental shipment deadlines can be found on the Educational Testing Service (ETS) CAHSEE Calendar Web page at http://www.ets.org/Media/Tests/CAHSEE/pdf/2009-2010_calendar.pdf (Outside Source). Questions about ordering deadlines should be directed to the ETS CAHSEE Support line at 1-800-241-5687.

Testing Opportunities for Grade Eleven Students

In response to requests from school districts, the CAHSEE Office investigated the possibility of allowing grade eleven students to take the CAHSEE during the July administration. Surveys were conducted through the Regional Assessment Network, and after review of the responses and careful consideration of the logistical and fiscal issues, it has been determined that there will be no change at this time to the scheduling guidelines.

As a reminder, the number of opportunities for students to take the CAHSEE at each grade level is established by the *California Code of Regulations, Title 5*, sections 1204-1204.5, and is as follows:

- Grade ten students shall take the CAHSEE one time during the district's census or makeup administration.

Administration	Test Material Ordering Deadline	Pre-ID Deadline	Late Pre-ID Deadline	Supplemental Shipment Deadline	Student Results Scheduled to Post
July 28 and 29	June 16	June 24	July 14	July 20	September 23

- Districts shall provide grade eleven students at least two opportunities per school year to take the sections not yet passed.
- Districts shall provide grade twelve students at least three and up to five opportunities per school year to take the sections not yet passed.
- Districts shall provide adult education students at least three opportunities per school year to take the sections not yet passed.

CAHSEE Test Regulations can be found on the CDE CAHSEE Administrative Documents Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/admin.asp>.

2009-10 Administration Dates

CAHSEE testing dates for 2009-12 are available on the California Department of Education (CDE) CAHSEE Administrative Documents Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/admin.asp>. You may refer to the following matrix to help plan 2009-10 testing dates for your site:

Test Administration Training Workshops and Webcasts—Schedule Changes

As reported in the April 2009 CAHSEE Notes, the CDE and ETS will provide a series of workshops to prepare district testing coordinators for the 2009-10 administrations of the CAHSEE. Additional sessions in Los Angeles and San Diego are now scheduled and the starting times for all of the sessions have been adjusted to allow for check-in time. Information for all of the workshops is as follows; changes are in italics:

- June 19, 8:30 a.m. to noon – Sacramento County Office of Education (COE)
- June 26, 8:30 a.m. to noon – Santa Clara COE
- *July 22, 8:30 a.m. to noon – Los Angeles Airport Marriott*
- August 5, 8:30 a.m. to noon – Madera COE
- August 6, 8:30 a.m. to noon – Monterey COE
- *September 29, 8:30 a.m. to noon – San Diego COE*

2009-10	July 28-29	Oct. 6-7	Nov. 3-4	Dec. 5, 12 (Sat.)	Feb. 2-3	Mar. 16-17	May 11-12
Grade 10 (Census and Make-up Only)	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	X	X	X
Grade 11 (two opportunities)	Not available	X	X	X	X	X	X
Grade 12 (three to five opportunities)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Grade 12/Adult Education (three opportunities)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

In addition, on June 30, the CDE and ETS will provide a Webcast for district and test site coordinators. The Webcast will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. and can be accessed on the San Diego COE Web site at http://wcportal.sdcoe.net/v_h.asp (Outside Source). A second Webcast will be held on December 2, also from 9-11:30 a.m.

Questions about the workshops or Webcasts should be directed to ETS, at 1-800-241-5687.

Update on Assembly Bill 2040

Assembly Bill 2040 (Nunez, 2008) added sections 60852.1 and 60852.2 to the California *Education Code*. This legislation requires the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) to recommend, and the State Board of Education (SBE) to select, members of a panel that will make recommendations regarding alternative means for eligible pupils with disabilities to demonstrate that they have achieved the level of academic achievement in the content standards in English-language arts or mathematics, or both, required for passing the CAHSEE.

Panel members were approved by the SBE on May 6, 2009. The panel is composed of 20 educators and other individuals who have experience with pupils with disabilities and/or

multiple forms of assessment. They also represent a wide range of stakeholders from across the state. The panel is tentatively scheduled to meet in June, August, and September. The panel's findings and recommendations will go to the SSPI and to the SBE by October 1, 2009.

Public comment is welcome in person or in writing. Meeting agendas will be posted at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/cahseepublic.asp> ten days prior to each meeting.

If you have questions regarding this process, please contact Jill Larson, Education Research and Evaluation Consultant, at 916-319-0331 or by e-mail at jl Larson@cde.ca.gov.

More Information

Additional information about the CAHSEE is available on the CDE CAHSEE Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/>. Questions about the CAHSEE can be directed to the CAHSEE Office at 916-445-9449 or by e-mail at cahsee@cde.ca.gov.